

FISCAL NOTE

SB 2623 - HB 2632

February 24, 2006

SUMMARY OF BILL: Establishes a task force within the Department of Health to analyze high prescription use in Tennessee and make recommendations that can reduce high prescription drug usage without compromising the quality of patient care.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures – Not Significant

Other Fiscal Impact – Increase State Expenditures – Less than \$100,000. The Department of Health is authorized to contract with an outside consultant to assist in completion of the tasks outlined, but is not required. Any costs for such outside consultant, if funds are made available, are estimated to be less than \$100,000.

Assumptions:

- The Department of Health will not have a significant increase in expenditures to complete the requirements of the task force.
- There will be minimal impact to all departments that have a representative on the task force or are asked to provide information to the task force.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James W. White". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "J" and "W".

James W. White, Executive Director